## **CLAIMS**

- 1. A process for payment of a selected amount by a payer with a payment card having a multiplicity of series of 10 boxes numbered from 0 to 9, associated with a monetary value, said boxes being covered before use by a masking device which masks a unique code comprising removing selected portions of the masking device by selecting a number of units in corresponding boxes; and communicating codes corresponding to the boxes whose masking device has been removed by the payer to a transaction receiving center for monetary payment verification.
- 2. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the card further comprises a zone having a series of numbered boxes for designation of a number of uncovered payment boxes.
- 3. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the payment card has a unique identification number.
- 4. The process according to Claim 1, wherein payment is implemented by communication of codes corresponding to boxes whose masking device were removed by the payer and a personal identification number of the payer.
- 5. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the payment card has a series of boxes for designation of the type of currency of payment.

6. Means for payment of an amount which can be personalized comprising a card having a multiplicity of series of 10 boxes numbered from 0 to 9, said series corresponding to base units, tens, hundreds, thousands, tens of thousands, tenths and hundredths.

## 7. A secure payment card comprising:

a support having a multiplicity of a series of 10 boxes numbered from 0 to 9, said series corresponding to base units and multiples thereof and each of said boxes having a unique code; and

a mask which hides the codes, at least selected portions of the mask corresponding to selected boxes being removable to reveal a unique code corresponding to each box such that when selected portions of the mask are removed by a user to represent a selected numerical payment value, a third party, in possession of corresponding verification codes for the unique codes of the selected boxes, can verify the selected payment value.

- 8. The secure payment card according to Claim 7, further comprising group of boxes corresponding to each of said series of boxes.
- 9. The secure payment card according to Claim 7, wherein the unique codes are three character alphanumeric codes.
- 10. The secure payment card according to Claim 7, wherein the multiples are selected from the group consisting of hundredths, tenths, tens, hundreds, thousands and tens of thousands.

## 11. A secure payment system comprising:

a secure payment card comprising: a support having a multiplicity of a series of 10 boxes numbered from 0 to 9, said series corresponding to base units and multiples thereof and each of said boxes having a unique code; and a mask which hides the codes, at least selected portions of the mask corresponding to selected boxes being removable to reveal a unique code corresponding to each box such that when selected portions of the mask are removed by a user to represent a selected numerical payment value, a third party, in possession of corresponding verification codes for the unique codes of the selected boxes, can verify the selected payment value; and

a transaction center containing said verification codes which verifies the authenticity and coherence of the selected payment value.

- 12. The secure payment system according to Claim 11, wherein the transaction center debits payments for a user of the card.
- 13. The secure payment system according to Claim 11, wherein the transaction center communicates with a merchant to verify a successful payment.